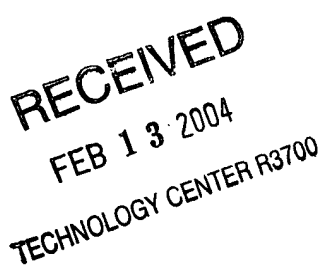
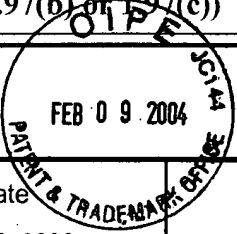
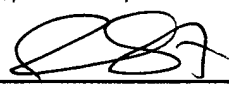
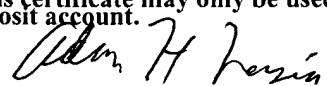


3713

BEST AVAILABLE COPY

TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (Under 37 CFR 1.97(b) or 1.97(c))			Docket No. 112300-474	
In Re Application Of: Bussick et al.				
Serial No. 09/687,689	Filing Date October 13, 2000	Examiner Scott E. Jones	Group Art Unit 3713	
Title: GAMING DEVICE HAVING DUAL EVALUATION SCHEME				
<p>Address to: Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450</p> <p>37 CFR 1.97(b)</p> <p>1. <input type="checkbox"/> The Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith is being filed within three months of the filing of a national application other than a continued prosecution application under 37 CFR 1.53(d); within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 CFR 1.491 in an international application; before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits, or before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114.</p> <p>37 CFR 1.97(c)</p> <p>2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith is being filed after the period specified in 37 CFR 1.97(b), provided that the Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing date of a Final Action under 37 CFR 1.113, a Notice of Allowance under 37 CFR 1.311, or an Action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application, and is accompanied by one of:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> the statement specified in 37 CFR 1.97(e);</p> <p>OR</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(p).</p>				



TRANSMITTAL OF INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT (Under 37 CFR 1.97(b) or 1.98(f))			Docket No. 112300-474	
In Re Application: Bussick et al.				
Serial No. 09/687,689	Filing Date October 13, 2000	Examiner Scott E. Jones	Group Art Unit 3713	
GAMING DEVICE HAVING DUAL EVALUATION SCHEME				
Payment of Fee (Only complete if Applicant elects to pay the fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(p))				
<input type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of _____ is attached. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. 02-1818 as described below.				
<input type="checkbox"/> Charge the amount of _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Credit any overpayment. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charge any additional fee required.				
Certificate of Transmission by Facsimile*		Certificate of Mailing by First Class Mail		
I certify that this document and authorization to charge deposit account is being facsimile transmitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (F): _____ (Date) _____ Signature _____ Typed or Printed Name of Person Signing Certificate		I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on February 4, 2004 with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.  Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence Renee M. Street _____ Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Certificate		
*This certificate may only be used if paying by deposit account.  _____ Signature				
Adam H. Masia Reg. No. 35,602 Bell, Boyd & Lloyd, LLC P.O. Box 1135 Chicago, Illinois 60690-1135 (312) 807-4284		RECEIVED FEB 13 2004 TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700		
CC:				

**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97(e) ACCOMPANYING
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

Docket No.
112300-474

In Re Application Of: **Bussick et al.**

Serial No.
09/687,689

Filing Date
October 13, 2000

Examiner
Scott E. Jones

Group Art Unit
3713

Invention: **GAMING DEVICE HAVING DUAL EVALUATION SCHEME**

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a statement under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.97(e) in the above-identified application.

Check applicable statement herebelow:

Statement Under 37 CFR 1.97(e)(1)

- ☒ Each item of information contained in the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.

Statement Under 37 CFR 1.97(e)(2)

- ☐ No item of information contained in the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, and, to the knowledge of the undersigned person, after making reasonable inquiry, no item of information contained in the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement was known to any individual designated in 37 CFR 1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the Information Disclosure Statement.

RECEIVED

FEB 13 2004

TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

Dated: **February 4, 2004**



Signature

**Adam H. Masia
Reg. No. 35,602
Bell, Boyd & Lloyd, LLC
P.O. Box 1135
Chicago, Illinois 60690-1135
(312) 807-4284**

Certificate of Mailing by First Class Mail

I certify that this document is being deposited on
February 4, 2004 with the U.S. Postal Service as first
class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the
Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA
22313-1450.



Signature of Person Mailing Correspondence

Renee M. Street

Typed or Printed Name of Person Mailing Correspondence

CC:

UNAVAILABLE COPY



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Bussick et al.
Appl. No.: 09/687,689
Conf. No.: 7705
Filed: October 13, 2000
Title: GAMING DEVICE HAVING DUAL EVALUATION SCHEME
Art Unit: 3713
Examiner: Scott E. Jones
Docket No.: 112300-474

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 37 C.F.R. 1.97, and 37 C.F.R. 1.98, Applicants request that a citation and examination of the references cited below, and on the attached PTO-1449 form, copies of which are enclosed, be made during the course of examination of the above-identified application for United States patent.

RECEIVED

FEB 13 2004

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

<u>Document No.</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Country</u>
AU 722 969 B	August 17, 2000	Australia

TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

Applicants look forward to early and favorable consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

BELL, BOYD & LLOYD LLC

BY

Adam H. Masia
Reg. No.35,602
P.O. Box 1135
Chicago, Illinois 60690-1135
Phone: (312) 807-4284

Dated: February 4, 2004

BEST AVAILABLE COPY

